



ANTIQUE & CUSTOM VEHICLE REGISTRATION

2007 Audit

- **106,497 Records reviewed**
- **1830 Title files reviewed**
- **705 Title corrections**
- **352 No problems detected**
- **601 Vehicles physically examined**
- **76 Duplicate files identified during research**



1926 Ford Model T



1950 Chev Bel Air

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Physical Exam Results

- 142 VIN Verified-meets standards-No action
- 161 VIN Verified-Title only needs correction
- 68 No VIN found-proof of ownership not sufficient, DMV issued serial plate applied, Indemnity bond required

Physical Exam Results

- 80 Classification change from antique to Custom
- 1 Vehicle identified as stolen-action taken
- 1 Vehicle stolen from owner prior to DMV exam request.

Physical Exam Results

- 54 No VIN found, DMV issued serial plate installed, Indemnity bond NOT required due to age of registration record.
- 94 Vehicles out of state or unable to locate

New Registration Process

- Only for first time registration of antique/custom vehicles that are being brought to NC with out of state title or “kit cars” that are assembled by consumers and registered the first time.
- Registration is completed by DMV License & Theft Bureau Inspector after:
- Physical Examination
- Two photographs are taken

No change to existing vehicles

- No additional existing registered vehicles will be re-classified except upon application by the consumer.
- Antique and Custom vehicles already titled in NC may be sold/reassigned with no DMV License & Theft Bureau involvement.
- Existing owners may continue to re-new using already established methods.

Current Classifications

- Historically, NC DMV has recognized vehicles as their true make and model or as “custom built”. If a vehicle was deemed “custom built”, its year model was the year of assembly and the make listed as custom.

New Classifications

- Auto enthusiasts desire two new classifications NOT previously recognized by NC
- Model legislation by SEMA

SPECIALTY EQUIPMENT MARKET ASSOCIATION

- Six states passed SEMA legislation with new classifications in the past two years (FL., AR., VA., CO., ME., & MT.)

New Classifications Sought

- Replica Vehicles - Replica vehicles are kits manufactured and sold unassembled. When assembled the complete vehicle replicates an earlier year model vehicle. These vehicles will be titled as the make and year model intended to be replicated. The model will be listed as “replica”. All replica vehicle titles will be branded as “reconstructed vehicle”. However, this classification does not apply to motorcycles. If the vehicle is a motorcycle, it will be classified as a custom built.

New Classifications Sought

- Street Rod Vehicles - Street Rod is defined as any motor vehicle manufactured prior to 1949, which has been altered from the manufacturer's original design; or has a body constructed from non-original materials. The model year of a street rod shall continue to be recognized as the manufacturers assigned model year. The manufacturers name shall continue to be used as the make with a label of "street rod" applied to the title and registration card.. All street rod vehicle titles will be branded as "reconstructed vehicle".

DMV Actions

- At the request of several legislators, DMV is working with legislative staff on proposed statutory changes.

The numbers

- Prior to January 2, 2008, an average of 30 antique/custom vehicles per day were registered in NC for the first time.
- New Process implemented January 2, 2008, average number of antique custom vehicles registered first time is 20 per day.

Reasons

- **GS 20-54 Authority for refusing registration or certificate of title.**
- The Division shall refuse registration or issuance of a certificate of title or any transfer of registration upon any of the following grounds:
 - (1) The application contains a false or fraudulent statement, the applicant has failed to furnish required information or reasonable additional information requested by the Division, or the applicant is not entitled to the issuance of a certificate of title or registration of the vehicle under this Article.
 - (2) The vehicle is mechanically unfit or unsafe to be operated or moved upon the highways.

Conclusions

- Errors occurred over years
- No database review had ever been conducted
- New procedure restores the database integrity
- Consumers receive new classifications

Conclusions

- DMV is able to “prevent frauds and impositions” upon the citizens of NC.



1967 Ford Shelby Cobra



1967 Shelby Cobra Replica

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